(SRI B. D. JATTI)

(*d*) The minimum support prices and the purchase prices for these foodgrains have been fixed by the State Government in consultation with the Government of India. While fixing these prices, several factors as noted below were taken into consideration :—

(i) the cost of production ;
(ii) the level of prices over a period of time ;
(iii) marketing and processing costs ; and
(iv) the interests of the consumers and the producers.

Scarcity of Kerosene.

*Q.—**580.** SRI R. KENCHAPPA (Pavagada).—Will the Minister for Industries and Commerce be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they are aware of the scarcity of kerosene in rural areas ;

(*b*) whether they are aware that kerosene is being sold for sixty paise to seventy paise per bottle in rural areas ;

(*c*) whether they would make arrangements to provide sufficient quantity of kerosene to the rural people at reasonable rates ?

A.—Minister for Industries and Commerce (SRI K. MALLAPPA).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

Small Scale Industries.

*Q.—666. Sri BAPU RAO HULSURKAR (Hulsur).—

Will the Minister for Industries and Commerce be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the number of Small Scale Industries started in the State for the last 3 years ;

(*b*) the facilities Government intended to give to attract the industrialists to start industries in backward areas of the State ?

A.—Minister for Industries and Commerce (Sri K. MALLAPPA).—

(*a*) 2,190.

(*b*) the facilities and concession extended to large, medium and small scale industries in Mysore State are indicated in the booklet placed on the Table of the House.**

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